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Mrs. Bromley Gets Minneapolis Post

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (ANP) — Mrs. Louise Love Bromley, formerly of New York and New York, N.Y., was selected as the head of Phyllis Wheatley House here, succeeding Miss W. Gertrude Brown who resigned a few weeks ago.

Mrs. Bromley, who at one time was an executive in Emma Ransom House, New York's YWCA, has recently been a health worker in the New Jersey Tuberculosis League, having twenty-one counties under her supervision.

Mrs. N. Ruth Gage Thompson, president of the board of directors, announced that Mrs. Bromley would be inducted into office at the annual meeting of the board on February 8.

NASHVILLE WOMAN GIVEN PLACE ON NATL Y.W.C.A. BOARD

During the recent meeting of the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the National Y. W. C. A. of America, the local branch was signally honored by members of its organization. Mrs. W. J. Faulkner, Recording Secretary of the Committee of Management, was a member of the Resolutions Committee of the Convention, and Mrs. S. John-son, Branch Chairman, Committee on Colored Work, was elected to the 1940 Planning Committee for the 16th National Convention of the Y. W. C. A. of America. Miss Rachel I. Taylor, Executive Secretary, was elected to speak for the Negro Secretaries of the United States at the banquet held in honor of Mrs. Cordelia A. Wynn, National Secretary who retires after 20 years of service. More than 3,000 women and girls from 45 states in the Union and from foreign countries were in attendance. The leading hotels and restaurants of Columbus Ohio, were opened for Whites and Negroes, it being the policy of the Y. W. C. A. not to meet in any city where discrimination is made

vital issues of the day were con- sidered and the convention was felt to be the turning point for the Y. W. C. A. of the future. Delegates from Nashville included Mrs. S. Morris, former president; Mrs. Albert, and Miss Dorothy Height, Mae Turpin, corresponding secretary; Miss Allen Williams, former president Co-ops Club; Mrs. Charles S. Johnson, Mrs. W. Faulkner, and Miss Rachel I. Taylor.

REELECT TWO TO NATIONAL Y. W. BOARD

Over 200 Negro Delegates Attend Convention in Columbus

COLUMBUS. — (ANP) — With more than 200 Negro

women among the more than 2,000 delegates in attendance at the Y. W. C. A. held one of its most successful conventions in history here last week. Two of them, Mrs. Jessie Heslip of Toledo and Mrs. E. P. Roberts of New York, were re-elected to the national board. The spirit of friendship and cooperation between white and Negro was so great that several speakers were moved to contrast the current convention with conferences of 20 or more years ago. One of the highlights of the nation-wide meeting was a dinner at the Neil house where members of the national board and staff paid tribute to Mrs. Cordella Winn, of New York city, advisory secretary throughout the country.

Mrs. Pauline J. Lawrence, Chicago, was named to the national budgeting committee. Other delegates participated in all discussions with Miss Frances Williams, of the official staff, New York, one of a group of 10 in a round table forum on "The Role of Woman."

The Chicago delegation of eight was saddened by an accident involving Mrs. Roscoe C. Giles, who tripped, breaking her ankle. She returned home before the convention ended.

Among other prominent Y. W.

C. A. workers, national officers, secretaries and industrial division leaders in attendance were: Mrs. Ruth Smith and Mrs. Julia Jackson Ferguson, Chicago; Miss Frances Williams, Miss Marion Cuthbert, and Miss Dorothy Height, New York; Mrs. Ernest Alexander, former of New York city, and Mrs. Myra Bryant of Birmingham, members of the national board; Miss Elsie Mountain, Kansas City, Mo.; Miss Mae Belcher and Mrs. F. B. Ransom, Indianapolis; Miss Cora Vaughn, Bridgeport, Conn.; Mrs. Gladys Pullum, Omaha; Miss Elizabeth Woods, Newark; Mrs. Davis, Baltimore; Mrs. Aaron Day, Washington; Miss Marjorie Jackson, Tulsa; Miss Isobel Lawson, Pittsburgh, and Mrs. Lillian Eu Daily, Denver.

Roanoke, Va., World News
June 12, 1938

Wheatley YWCA Plans Camp For Colored Girls

Plans for the 10-day camp near Hollins college, sponsored by the Phyllis Wheatley branch Y. W. C. A. for colored girls, were completed at a meeting last week of the camp committee headed by Mrs. James Lee, and registration for the camp has already begun at the branch "Y. W."

A program of nature lore, arts, crafts, dramatics, poetry, music, hiking, discussions, worship, and campfires has been arranged by the camp committee. The camp will be known as "Camp Starlite."

The committee reports that a highly competent group of counselors has been selected and that a registered nurse will be on the grounds at all times. Several organizations in the city have made appropriations to send worthy girls to the camp, it is reported.

Assisting Mrs. Lee as chairman of the camp committee are the members of the branch Y. W. C. A. committee of management, and the following members of the camp committee: Anne Sykes, Mrs. Daisy Schley, Mrs. Julia Grey, Georgia Brown, Mrs. Lelia Pentecost, Mrs. Ruth Steptoe, Mattie Steptoe, and Mrs. W. A. Gilliam.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Daily Times

October 15, 1938

Y. W. SPEAKER



The principal speaker at the colored Girl Reserves recognition service tomorrow at the First Baptist church at 4 p. m., will be M. C. Bryant. She is assistant secretary of the Alabama State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, and the only Negro woman in the south a member of the national board of the Y. W. C. A. Services will be conducted under auspices of the Phyllis Wheatley branch.

Chicago Woman Has Important Y.W.C.A. Post

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Charleston, S. C. News & Courier
October 25, 1938

Campaign Under Way For Negro Y. W. C. A.

Fifty Workers Solicit Funds for Coming St. Branch. Many Use Building

The Coming street branch of the Young Women's Christian association has opened a two weeks campaign for \$1,500 to maintain its work among the colored people. Fifty workers are soliciting funds and already a good response has been received. The first report meeting will take place at 8 p. m. Thursday.

Many groups use the colored Y. W. C. A. branch for a meeting place and it was estimated that 2,000 persons enter the building every year, to be received by one secretary. The Y. W. C. A. operates an employment service, and will inaugurate a training course November 1 for domestic servants with an experienced teacher in charge. Activities groups now engage in handicrafts, needlework, dramatics, creative writing and social affairs; basketball, dodge ball and tennis. Some girls employed in industry develop new interests and contacts.

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December 7, 1933

Y. W. C. A. Continues Its Cooking School

One More Month Definite. Others Likely—Demonstration Tomorrow

Students of the training school in the colored branch of the Y. W. C. A. will demonstrate at 8 o'clock tomorrow night the cooking, house cleaning and other forms of home work they have learned during the last month.

Y. W. C. A. board members will see the demonstration.

The school, started in November to fill the demand on the colored branch for competent house servants, will be continued at least one more month, Mrs. William Elliott Hutson, president of the Y. W. C. A., said. It will be kept as long thereafter as funds are available, she added.

The girls are being examined at the Health Center as one of the final phases of the course. Two students already have been placed and another is ready to be placed. One commercial establishment sent four applicants to the school this week, saying that it would not employ them until they took the course.

The Y. W. C. A. is making no charge for the course, Mrs. Hutson said, adding that it would be glad to accept contributions from employers who find the training valuable for their house employees. Such contributions should be sent to the Y. W. C. A. in Society street and marked for the cooking school conducted at the Coming street

American Democracy Not Worthy of Name, Mayerberg Tells Paseo Y. W. Leaders

"American democracy is not worthy of its name so long as a single citizen can be deprived of any opportunity—whatever it may be," said Rabbi Samuel S. Mayerberg, the speaker at the annual dinner of the Paseo branch Y. W. C. A. Tuesday night. The dinner, held at the Ebenezer A. M. E. parish house, was attended by 148 persons. Speaking on "The Hope of Democracy," Rabbi Mayerberg said, "As long as any one section of the country can pervert the bill of rights and the spirit of the constitution to deprive any citizen of his rights, the country is not worthy of the name Democracy."

He said that the philosophy of Democracy is the offspring of religious idealism. "We enjoy peace in this country," he said, "because we are trying to emulate the great religious thinkers of the world." The countries which today are in strife have destroyed religion, he pointed out. Peace has no place in a country dominated by dictators, he said.

Religion, the rabbi said, is not a narcotic, as the Russians call it, but it is the chief vitamin of life. After the net war which the Rabbi says is coming, the people of the world, he believes, will turn back to religion. This conversion will come, he said, not by wishful hoping but by the earnest endeavor of such spiritual organizations as the Y. W. C. A.

Would Have Peace

Rabbi Mayerberg said that life would not be worth the living if he thought the world would always be as it is today. It is only through his hope and belief in the possibilities of religion that he wants to keep on living to help make the world for future generations a place of peace, joy and well being.

The Rabbi was introduced by Mrs. Odessa Howell, chairman of the branch's committee of management, who gave a background for Rabbi Mayerberg's address by reviewing the series of lectures given this fall by Max Yergan.

Mrs. Chrystina Ockleberry presided at the dinner. Grace was pronounced by the Rev. T. J. Burwell, pastor of Allen Chapel.

Dinner music was played by a string ensemble directed by Joseph S. Smith, director of WPA recreational projects.

The quarter of the Business and Professional Women's club of the branch sang "Rise Up, Shepherd, An' Foller," and Brahms' "Cradle

Song." The singers, the Misses Luther Randall, Gertrude Hooker, Evelyn Hemmitt and Essie Garrett, were accompanied by Miss Helen Wilkins.

Quartet Sings

The meeting closed with the quartet's singing of "Silent Night" by candle light.

Preceding the annual dinner, the electors of the Paseo branch held their first annual meeting in which the year's business of the branch was taken up. Miss Elsie M. Mount, executive secretary, made her annual report, pointing out the responsibility of an intelligent electorate and outlining the work of the branch through committees and volunteer leadership.

The report of Mrs. Emma Harrison, chairman of the finance committee, was read by Mrs. Fern Webster. Mrs. Lillian Burgin, chairman of the public affairs committee, outlined her program for 1939.

The electors decided to continue the type of fall opening programs which have been held during the last several years, including the bringing of an outstanding speaker here for the Hostess tea.

The report on the branch's building program was read by Miss Mountain. A new committee is working on plans for a new building.

Its members are Mrs. E. Robinson, Mrs. Sumner E. Fifield, Mrs. William B. Henderson, Mrs. M. B. Nelson and Mrs. J. H. Tor-

rence, all members of the board of directors of the Central branch Y. W. C. A.; and Mrs. W. H. Harrison, Mrs. Jack D. Hudspeth, Mrs. Reuben H. Brown, Mrs. Raymond Burgin and Mrs. Chester A. Franklin of the Paseo branch committee of management.

This new building committee will continue to study building plans and ways of conducting a campaign for a new building.

To Take Part In Study

The Paseo branch will take part in the nation-wide standards study to be made by the electors in Y branches throughout the country.

The study, based on action taken at the national convention, will have three phases each to be taken by a committee: a study of the total Y. W. C. A., the branch set-up and the industrial set-up. The committees will be appointed by Mrs. Odessa Howell, committee of management head.

Plans for the 1939 membership campaign to be held in February were outlined by Mrs. Gladys Hudspeth chairman of the drive.

Mrs. Burgin made the report of the nominating committee and gave the results of the election, held by ballots mailed to the electors.

Mrs. Miriam Frazier Yates was elected to the committee of management for a three-year term as the representative of the Industrial Girls' club. She was president of the club last year and attended the biennial convention at Columbus last April as well as the Okoboji summer conference for Business and Industrial Girls.

Committee members reelected were: Mrs. Gladys Hudspeth, Mrs. Pearl Linder, Mrs. Dora Brown, Mrs. Rosalind Shannon, Mrs. Clara Miller, Mrs. Chrystina Ockleberry and Mrs. Mercedes Parker.